

Putnamville Correctional Facility Again Recommended For National Accreditation

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Putnam County, Indiana - (September 26, 2007) - Superintendent Michael Osburn was pleased to announce today that the Putnamville Correctional Facility is being recommended for Re-accreditation with the American Correctional Association, having been found by an independent team of auditors to meet 100 percent of the mandatory standards, and 98 percent of the non-mandatory national correctional facility standards.

Three independent auditors from Colorado, West Virginia and Tennessee spent three days touring facility grounds, reviewing policies, procedures and practices while scoring each area as compliant or non-compliant in policy, procedure and practice.

"I attribute the accomplishment to the team efforts of staff. Everyone worked together and took ownership of their respective areas to achieve the highest score received by the facility during an accreditation audit. I'm honored to work with such professional and dedicated staff" stated Superintendent Osburn.

During the exit interview, auditors commented on how impressed they were with the sanitation of the facility, professionalism of staff, and quality of life for the offender population.

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About Putnamville Correctional Facility

The Putnamville Correctional Facility opened its doors in 1914 as the Indiana State Farm, a minimum-security work camp. Today the facility manages medium-security adult male offenders. The current population of the Facility is over 2,400 inmates.

About The Department of Correction

The Department employs over 8,000 employees and houses 24,000 adult and juveniles in 32 facilities, ranging from minimum to maximum custody, prison camps, juvenile facilities and work release centers. The Department's home page on the Internet can be found at: <http://www.in.gov/indcorrection>. The Department's Re-entry Site can be found: <http://www.reentry.in.gov>.